



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
FROM THE OFFICE ACTION

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Applicant : Subramani Saravanabhavan, et al. Confirmation No. 7334
Application No. : 10/717,035
Filed : November 18, 2003
Title : NOVEL DEHAIRING AND FIBRE OPENING PROCESS FOR
COMPLETE ELIMINATION OF LIME AND SODIUM SULFIDE

Grp./Div. : 1746
Examiner : Unassigned

Docket No. : 51549/CAB/K375
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Commissioner:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office action dated February 20, 2004 for one month(s) from April 20, 2004 to May 20, 2004.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

| CALCULATION OF FEE | | | |
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| LENGTH OF EXTENSION | SMALL ENTITY | LARGE ENTITY | Fee |
| WITHIN FIRST MONTH | \$ 55 | \$ 110 | \$110.00 |
| WITHIN SECOND MONTH | \$ 210 | \$ 420 | \$0 |
| WITHIN THIRD MONTH | \$ 475 | \$ 950 | \$0 |
| WITHIN FOURTH MONTH | \$ 740 | \$1480 | \$0 |
| WITHIN FIFTH MONTH | \$1005 | \$2010 | \$0 |

Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 110.00 to cover the cost of the extension.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,

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